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KMOV4.com – Local moms partner with moms from Flint to fight EPA in Washington, DC – 2/9/16

Local moms from Just Moms STL, are partnering with moms in Flint, Michigan Tuesday to call out the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and voice their public health concerns in Washington, D.C.

LINK: <http://bit.ly/1PziIFU>

CBS St. Louis – Burning Bridgeton landfill moms go to Washington – 2/9/2016

A group of local moms who believe their children are suffering health problems from a landfill fire plead for help from the head of the EPA.

LINK: <http://cbsloc.al/1SFMOhn>

Syscon Media – Moms from Flint, Michigan and St. Louis, Missouri to address EPA's failure to protect children and families – 2/9/216

On Tuesday, February 9, a coalition of moms from Michigan and Missouri will hold a press conference to address EPA's failure to act on serious threats to public health in both communities.

LINK: <http://bit.ly/1nVactF>

St. Louis Public Radio – EPA to focus on groundwater contamination, conduct more tests at West Lake Landfill – 2/9/2016

In a move that environmental groups say they are “excited” and “pleasantly surprised” about, the Environmental Protection Agency said it plans to create a specific unit to study groundwater contamination at the West Lake Landfill Superfund site.

LINK: <http://bit.ly/1SdyFHT>

Ozarks First – Manhattan Project Part 1: Waste from WWII era atomic bombs left behind in St. Louis – 2/9/2016

Thousands of Missourians are paying the price today for their hometown's role in producing the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. President Harry S. Truman, a Missouri native, decided to

drop those bombs four months into his presidency in August 1945.

LINK: <http://bit.ly/1O1dGjv>

Midwest Energy News – Calculator finds efficiency can meet much of Midwest states' Clean Power Plan targets – 2/9/2016

Midwest states can make significant strides toward meeting Clean Power Plan goals through energy efficiency, according to a new calculator developed by an advocacy organization.

LINK: <http://bit.ly/1WaxKWx>

Southeast Missourian – St. Louis utility company pushes back against carbon rules – 2/9/2016

A St. Louis utility company is pushing back on the federal government's plan to cut carbon-dioxide emissions. The St. Louis Post-Dispatch reported although Ameren Missouri hasn't filed a court challenge, the utility asked the Environmental Protection Agency to prevent implementation of the regulations and propose new ones.

LINK: <http://bit.ly/1TaqCvo>

Midwest Energy News – Advocates say Kansas overlooking efficiency in Clean Power Plan compliance – 2/9/2016

As Kansas explores options to comply with the Clean Power Plan, advocates are concerned efficiency is getting short shrift.

LINK: <http://bit.ly/1Q6MvLI>

The Conversation – Are tighter EPA controls on mercury pollution worth it? – 2/9/2016

Over 300,000 babies every year are born in the United States with levels of mercury that put them at risk of neurological and developmental problems. How much would you be willing to spend to reduce this number?

LINK: <http://bit.ly/1RlztX>

The Hill (blog) – In Flint and beyond, U.S. water systems need protection – 2/9/2016

Take Iowa, for example. Five-hundred thousand people in Des Moines get their drinking water from a river, and like Flint, it is more polluted than federal standards allow, but for different reasons. In Iowa, the

problem is nitrate pollution from the overabundance of fertilizers used in corn country and the millions of animals confined in factory farms.

LINK: <http://bit.ly/1nVbeWC>

The New York Times – Unsafe lead levels in tap water not limited to Flint – 2/8/2016

In Sebring, Ohio, routine laboratory tests last August found unsafe levels of lead in the town's drinking water after workers stopped adding a chemical to keep lead water pipes from corroding. Five months passed before the city told pregnant women and children not to drink the water, and shut down taps and fountains in schools.

LINK: <http://nyti.ms/1PiDU4Y>

Automotive News – EPA greenhouse gas rule would ban conversion of light vehicles to racecars – 2/9/2016

An EPA proposal to slash greenhouse gas emissions by medium and heavy duty vehicles would also ban the conversion of street cars into racecars, with far-reaching effects on auto racing and the aftermarket parts industry.

LINK: <http://bit.ly/1nZXWc0>

Climate Progress – This meat company dumps more pollution into waterways each year than ExxonMobil – 2/8/2016

Tyson Foods, one of the largest producers of meat in the world, is responsible for dumping more toxic pollution by volume into U.S. waters than companies like Exxon and Dow Chemical, according to a new analysis from environmental advocacy group Environment America.

LINK: <http://bit.ly/1T97y0I>